

REMARKS

The Examiner has required applicants to elect a single species from "catalysts", "adsorbents" or "pigments". Applicants elect with traverse "catalysts" to be examined.

Claims 1-42 are readable on the elected species.

Applicants traverse the election of species requirement in as much as the steps recited in the method of forming a library of samples are the same regardless of the exact species being formed and tested. Since the Examiner must search the method steps regardless of the type of material being deposited, it is believed that no additional burden is placed on the Examiner relative to searching the invention. Applicants' election with this traverse does not in any way suggest that the individual species are not patentably distinct from each other in as much as patentable distinction is not believed to be a requirement for restriction.

Applicants respectfully solicit action of the merits on claims 1-42.

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